ABSTRACT

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The present invention provides an information storage medium and a method and apparatus for processing information, which manage information storage media so as to prevent unauthorized copies of contents from being distributed or used. On an information storage medium on which an encrypted content is stored, an information storage medium ID which is an identifier uniquely assigned to an information storage medium, and an information storage medium ID revocation list, which is a list of information storage medium IDs determined as invalid, are further stored. In an information processing apparatus configured to read and play back the content stored on the information storage medium, playback of the content is allowed only when the information storage medium ID stored on the information storage medium is not identical to any of revoked information storage medium IDs described in the information storage medium ID revocation list. This prevents an unauthorized copy of a content from being distributed or used.